



Delaware Department of Transportation

Adopt-A-Highway • Safety Tips



The Adopt-A-Highway Program promotes responsible behavior. All participants are asked to keep this goal in mind when conducting clean-ups. Program requirements state that the following regulations must be shared with all members. Please review and discuss this information prior to conducting clean-ups.

DON'T pick up litter on the roadway close to the edge of the road or median.

DON'T pick up litter in construction or maintenance sites, in tunnels, or on bridges or overpasses.

DON'T pick up materials that appear to be hazardous. Contact the AAH Coordinator at (302) 760-7080 or at dotpublic@delaware.gov for assistance or call DNREC's Hazardous Waste Section at (302) 739-5072 or 1-800-662-8802.

DON'T pick up any meth lab waste products, such as propane cylinders (like the ones on gas grills), medicine boxes, masks, rubber gloves or hoses/clamps. Notify DelDOT immediately at 800-652-5600 if such items are found.

DON'T pick up any drug related paraphernalia, such as syringes or needles, as these can easily penetrate through the bag or cause injury.

DON'T pick up any firearms or explosive devices. If found, contact your local police agency.

DON'T do anything that will distract passing drivers or other volunteers.

DON'T work during peak travel times. DelDOT can help you identify suitable hours.

DON'T participate in litter pick-ups while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

DON'T allow children under 12 years of age to participate.

DON'T wear music headsets that would prevent you from hearing an approaching motorist

DON'T attach signs or miscellaneous items to your AAH sign.

DON'T plant flowers or shrubs near your sign.

DO work in small groups, keeping minors with adults always.

DO carpool or bike to the site and park off the roadway and bike path

DO wear bright colored, protective clothing, gloves, and hard-soled shoes. Put on your orange safety vest before leaving your vehicle

DO work only during daylight hours and in fair weather

DO avoid animals and/or noxious weeds